



Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports  
Minister for Energy and Water Supply

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition number 2385-15 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mrs Jann Stuckey MP, Member for Currumbin on 6 May 2015 about road traffic noise from the Pacific Motorway (M1) between Southbound Exits 93 and 95.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is committed to minimising road traffic noise impacts on properties near state-controlled roads by implementing a range of noise reduction measures.

Road noise assessments are carried out for road projects in accordance with the Transport Noise Management Code of Practice (The Code of Practice).

The Code of Practice specifies a noise level and other criteria that must be satisfied before TMR will consider the implementation of noise reducing treatments.

Outcomes of previous noise assessments undertaken by TMR indicate that noise impacts on properties in the vicinity of the M1 between Exit 93 to Exit 95 do not exceed the Code of Practice criteria.

Those noise assessments include noise measurements undertaken in the Currumbin area as part of the Tugun Bypass project in 2006/2007 and modelling carried out for the area between Varsity Lakes and Tugun in 2010.

I am advised TMR's noise modelling takes into account forecast increases in traffic to 2026.

However, I have considered this matter and can advise that I have requested TMR to undertake additional noise measurements in the area between Exit 93 to Exit 95.

Data obtained through that process will be used to re-validate TMR's noise modelling.

I will advise when TMR's updated noise modelling is at hand.

Thank you for raising this matter with me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Bailey', written in a cursive style.

**MARK BAILEY MP**  
**Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and**  
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